

## MAKE YOUR FUTURE SECURE

Easy Farming Methods in Western Canada and Certain Financial Benefits.

With your crop harvested and marketed, with the disposal of your cattle and hogs completed, you are ready to prepare your financial statement for the year. You will soon know what you have gained, and if the gain made in your farming operations has been up to your expectations and will meet your requirements. Probably you may have been the loser. Your land may have been productive, but it may have been too high priced. The cost of production has been too great. If you have had the remuneration you sought and are satisfied this article may not interest you. If your returns have not been satisfactory, or if your ambition leads you to the laudable desire of bettering your condition, if you have dependents for whose future you have anxiety, you will naturally look around for some place, some opportunity that offers greater advantages and brings satisfactory returns. To the north and west of you lie hundreds of thousands of unbroken acres in Western Canada awaiting the husbandman, and ready to give of its richness to place you where you desire to be placed. For thousands of farmers from nearly every state in the Union the prairies of Western Canada have a wealth beyond what they had expected. The excellence of the soil of Western Canada, which sees the Provinces of Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, can only partially be told by the knowledge of some facts.

Every year for some years past the world's highest prizes for wheat, oats and barley have been carried off by grain grown on Western Canadian Prairies. Beef fattened on the grasses of these same prairies recently brought the highest prices ever paid on the Chicago market. Throughout the entire world the quality of Canadian grain, and Canadian beef and mutton, is recognized. To recite what individual farmers have done, the riches they have acquired would fill volumes. The case of James Wishart of Portage la Prairie is not an exceptional one. His wheat crop this past season yielded him forty-five bushels per acre, and the land upon which it was grown was broken forty-four years ago, and it has been continuously under crop except for an occasional summer fallow. At Moose Jaw, Saskatchewan, samples of the wheat of 1918 weighed 68 pounds to the bushel, others 66 and some 65½ pounds. Wheat crops at Coaldale, Alberta, went as high as 38 bushels acre, while wheat crops near Barons, Alberta, had yields of from 25 to 30 bushels.

Records such as these speak in glowing terms of the excellence of the soil of Western Canada.

The war is over, and we are all settling down to a peace basis. There is a great world beyond the seas to feed and clothe, and thus is afforded the opportunity to lend a hand in the great work. Aside from the philanthropy in which you can play a part, there is the satisfaction of knowing you are amply providing for yourself and for the future of those who may be dependent upon you. Greater progress can be made in this and your own development by availing yourself of the advantages that Western Canada offers in its low-priced lands and high yielding values. There are good schools, desirable social conditions, low taxation (none on improvements) with an enjoyable climate, and the satisfaction of possessing a well tilled soil capable of producing abundant crops for which good prices prevail, at easily accessible marketing places.—Advertisement.

**Used Ladders in Battle.**  
The medieval scaling ladder played its part along with the more modern implements of war in the closing days of the American advance in France, according to a letter from Col. Alvord V. D. Anderson of the Three Hundred and Twelfth Infantry, received by Mrs. Anderson.

Colonel Anderson said that his regiment, with the Three Hundred and Ninth and Three Hundred and Eleventh, rushed the walled town of Grand Pre with ladders five times. Four times they were driven back, he said, but on the fifth rush, by sheer weight of numbers, they gained a footing, and scaling the walls, which were 12 feet high, captured the town.

**Insanitary.**  
Said the observing fellow, "It's a wonder the health inspectors don't get hold of the chap who spits out just what he thinks."

**Change of Countenance.**  
Said the facetious fellow: "As soon as a girl gets past the age of making faces at the boys she starts in making eyes at 'em."

**Odd Foods.**  
Lizards and alligators are the latest propositions in the way of food variety. They do not seem very alluring to the United States appetites, yet lizards have been extremely popular in the Bahama Islands, and Florida alligators have a reputation of being quite delicious.

**Zoological Notes.**  
Another thing we can't understand is how a woman can be a perfect cat and yet be scared to death of a mouse.—Cincinnati Enquirer.

## RURAL RAT CLUB OF GREAT VALUE

Offer Prizes for Destruction of Harmful Rodents—Better Plan Than Bounties.

### EVERYBODY SHOULD COMPETE

Appeal to Civic Pride Will Often Bring Excellent Results in Cleaning Up Premises—Leader Is of Importance.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

In any rural community badly infested with rats, it is a good plan for farmers to form rat clubs and offer prizes for destroying the rodents. The younger members of the community as well as adults should be allowed to compete and the prizes should be awarded periodically, as once a month. A first, second, and third prize are suggested for those who bring in the greatest number of rat tails. Specific rules governing the contests should be made at the start, and instruction as to the proper methods of trapping or otherwise killing rats should be a part of the program for each meeting of the club. Prizes may be provided by private donation or even by assessment of members. The plan gives better satisfaction than a system of straight rewards, because it arouses more enthusiasm and costs less. A rat and sparrow club in England in three seasons secured the destruction of 16,000 rats and 28,000 sparrows by an expenditure of less than \$30 in prize money. Had ordinary bounties been paid, the same work would have cost \$1,000 or \$1,200.

### Co-operation Needed.

In the matter of rat infestation, small towns are intermediate between farm and city. They show a marked increase of rodents in winter and a decrease when spring opens. Yet the outlying parts of a village are peculiarly subject to losses of poultry during the summer. Pigeon lofts, also, in small towns are subject to raids by rats, and the toll of eggs and young squabs is often heavy. Rats can climb fine-meshed netting and gain entrance to the pigeon yard at the top where the birds themselves enter.

### Repression in Villages.

The measures recommended for repressing rats on farms will apply to villages, but co-operation of citizens



Badger—Useful in Destroying Noxious Rodents.

to destroy the rodents will usually be more readily obtained. Often the small town has a civic club which could take up rat work whenever its importance is presented. It requires only an intelligent and persistent leader to set the machinery for rat repression in motion. The leader should provide for the instruction of the community as to the best methods of trapping, sanitation, rat-proofing buildings, and other measures needed to discourage the rodent. An appeal to civic pride will often bring excellent results in cleaning up premises and in replacing wooden walks or porches, dilapidated buildings, or other harbors for rats.

### RIGHT CARE OF DAIRY COWS

Expensive Practice to Permit Animals to Get in Run-Down Condition as Pastures Wane.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

As pastures begin to wane it is often the custom to permit the cows to get in a run-down condition. This is an expensive practice. As the pastures give out begin to increase other feeds so as to keep the milk flow constant. Preparations should also be made to shelter the animals from cold rains, sleet and snow. More energy is consumed in maintaining the body heat of the animal exposed to severe weather than is utilized in the production of milk and butter.

### HEAVES IS COMMON AILMENT

Annoying Disease of Horse Interferes With Usefulness of Animal and Detracts From Value.

Heaves is a very common and annoying disease of horses, interfering seriously with the usefulness of the animal, and consequently detracting from its value. Mainly a disease of old horses, it is essentially the result of faulty feeding and working, especially hard pulling or fast driving when the stomach is overloaded. Gross feeders are frequently subjects of heaves.

## GRAIN SORGHUMS IN PANHANDLE SECTION

Early and Dwarf Varieties Are Safest for All Seasons.

Results Given of Experiments Conducted by United States Department of Agriculture—Earliness Is Most Important.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

While grain sorghums are the chief feed crops in the southern portion of the Great Plains region where rainfall is limited, only well-adapted varieties produce good yields in the less favorable seasons, according to the United States department of agriculture. Since 1904 the department has conducted experiments in growing sorghum in the Panhandle section of Texas, and one of the important features of the work has been to determine what varieties can be depend-



A Field of Sorghum.

ed upon in all seasons. Bulletin 698, "Grain Sorghum Experiments in the Panhandle of Texas," just published by the department, presents the results obtained in the nine-year period from 1908 to 1916, inclusive. Earliness is the most important single factor, according to the bulletin, in the varietal adaptation of grain-sorghums to the conditions obtaining in the high plains of that section. Dwarfness is the next most important factor, while the combination of the two is extremely efficient in seasons of drought. Dwarf milo, Dawn (dwarf) kafir and Sunrise (early) kafir have proved well-adapted varieties, the first and second named being especially well suited on the high, dry plains.

### PRODUCTION OF FALL COLTS

Important That Newborn Foal Be Given Protection From Cold—Guard Against Disease.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Since the production of fall colts seems to be gaining favor in many horse-producing sections, as well as in some sections where the production of horses has been previously neglected, it is desirable that these youngsters be accorded every chance to begin the winter season in the best possible conditions. Although they avoid the fly evil, they are exposed to extremely cold weather and of necessity must be maintained in stables most of the time until the following grass season.

Joint-ill, a germ disease, which causes the deaths of hundreds of newborn foals, should be controlled by ligation or binding of the umbilical cord as soon as possible after birth and the subsequent swabbing of the small portion of the cord left pendant in a 1-500 solution of corrosive sublimate. The filth germs which cause the disease enter the body by means of the umbilical cord unless such precautions are taken. A piece of surgeon's silk should be bound around the cord as close to the body of the animal as possible. Then the sublimate solution should be applied to the pendulous portion of the cord twice daily until it drops off. The colt should be born in a well-lighted and ventilated stable, in a stall which has been disinfected thoroughly and bedded with clean, bright straw. After the birth of the colt the stall should be cleaned out and disinfected again, while the litter should be burned.

### BAD PLACE FOR IMPLEMENTS

Wagon or Cultivator Should Not Be Left in Open Field—Barn Is Always Available.

All outdoors is a big shed, but not the best place for the wagon or cultivator when finished with it for a few days. If a regular implement shed is not provided the barn is always available. All the extra work entailed is to open and shut the doors.

### WINTER FEED FOR CATTLE

Few Combinations More Economical Than Ratio of Silage and Cottonseed Oil.

There are few combinations of feed which are more economical than a ration of silage and cottonseed meal for wintering stocker cattle. One pound of cottonseed meal a day combined with what silage stocker steers will eat will cause them to gain slightly.

## TOO WEAK TO FIGHT

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### WAS GOOD ENOUGH REASON

Accused Man's Lawyer Asserted His Client's Innocence, So What Was There for Jury to Do?

"The following story either shows extreme ignorance on the part of a juror, or it shows what a wonderful charm some lawyers exercise on a jury," said a former marshal of a southern Indiana city.

"A murder was committed and it was not long before we had the man who we were sure had committed the deed. But he had money and he retained the best lawyers. The two lawyers we will call White and Black, because White and Black are not their real names. The jury was made up largely of men who tilted the soil. They were of the honest sort. White and Black, especially White, so presented their client's case, telling how he could not do such a horrible deed, using their handkerchiefs occasionally in the telling, that the jurors were carried away and voted for acquittal.

"Later I met one of the jurors and I said to him: 'Jones, why did you vote to acquit the prisoner?' The evidence showed clearly that he was guilty."

"No, sir, that man was not guilty," said Jones. "What makes you think so?" I countered. "Why, because Mr. White said he wasn't!" concluded Jones.

### Cause for Rejoicing.

The morning of the eleventh, when the bells began ringing and the whistles blowing, Betty awakened up and asked what it meant.

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### Where Daddy Was Lucky.

Mary watched interestedly while her father anchored his flu mask to his ears and then said: "Isn't it nice, mother, that daddy has such 'normous big ears?"

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## ALL AIDED IN WINNING WAR

Dumb Animals and Birds Had Prominent Part in Great Conflict Now Happily Ended.

Parrots have been mobilized to warn people from air raids. They sense the aircraft coming twenty minutes before it is visible.

Horses have been decorated. Oxen have saved the life of King Peter of Serbia and millions of other fugitives.

Oxen have also been used by the Italians to sweep the barbed wire entanglements, as well as to sample first mined areas.

Dogs have played a great part. Even cats and chameleons have taken part in actions as mascots.

Whales have been killed because of their close resemblance to U-boats.

Camels, rhinoceroses, lions, tigers and elephants have attacked convoys in Mesopotamia.

Giraffes cut telegraph wires.

Birds help to locate hidden artillery, and seagulls fly about submerged submarines.

Eagles furiously attacked airplanes, while other birds sympathized with the airmen and even rested on the planes.

Birds have fraternized with men at the front.

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